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E.O. 11652: GDS
TAGS: PGOV, KS, US
SUBJ: TONGSUN PARK: RUMOR OF FRASER COMMITTEE SUBPOENA

1. MOFA'S PAK SANG-YONG CALLED POLCOUNS CLARK AFTERNOON MAY 23 TO EXPRESS ROKG CONCERN OVER REPORTS IT HAD RECEIVED THAT FRASER COMMITTEE INTENDED ISSUE SUBPOENA TO SECURE APPEARANCE OF TONGSUN PARK AT COMMITTEE HEARINGS. PAK STATED THAT THIS APPEARED TO VIOLATE AGREEMENT ROKG BELIEVED IT HAD WITH CONGRESSIONAL LEADERSHIP WHICH ALLOWED FOR TONGSUN PARK TO BE QUESTIONED BY ETHICS COMMITTEES OF BOTH HOUSES. IN ADDITION, PAK NOTED THAT ROK HAD OFFERED FRASER COMMITTEE STAFF OPPORTUNITY TO QUESTION TONGSUN PARK FOR SEVERAL HOURS IN HUNDLEY'S OFFICE AND THEREFORE FELT SUBPOENA NOT REQUIRED. POLCOUNS AGREED TO PASS ROKG CONCERNS TO WASHINGTON AND TO ATTEMPT ASCERTAIN STATE OF PLAY AS REGARDS FRASER COMMITTEE ACTIVITIES.

2. PAK ALSO NOTED THAT THIS HARASSMENT WAS GREATLY DISTURBING TO TONGSUN PARK WHO WAS TALKING AGAIN OF VISITING DOMINICAN REPUBLIC. PAK EXPRESSED CONCERN OVER WHAT HE UNDERSTOOD WERE SYMPATHETIC RESPONSES FROM DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE TO PARK REQUEST TO BE ALLOWED TO MAKE SUCH A TRIP. PAK POINTED OUT THAT ANY OUTSIDE TRAVEL WOULD HAVE TO BE AGREED TO BETWEEN BOTH GOVERNMENTS AND ROKG HAD MADE
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CLEAR ITS POSITION THAT IT DID NOT WISH TONGSUN PARK TO VISIT THE DOMINICAN REPUBLIC. HE EXPRESSED HOPE DOJ WOULD DISCOURAGE ANY THOUGHTS OF THIS NATURE WHICH TONGSUN PARK MIGHT HAVE.

3. ACTION REQUESTED: EMBASSY WOULD APPRECIATE ANY INFORMATION AVAILABLE ON INTENTIONS OF FRASER COMMITTEE

AND CONFIRMATION THAT DOJ IS NOT ENCOURAGEING MR PARK
IN ANY BELIEF THAT TRAVEL TO THE DOMINICAN REPUBLIC MIGHT
BE POSSIBLE.
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